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October 7, 2008

Mr. Bill Ryan
US EPA Region X
1200 Sixth Avenue – ECL-113
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: September 2008 Monthly
Report

Dear Mr. Ryan:

This letter serves as the monthly progress report for September 2008, in accordance with Section X, Paragraph 29 of the RD/RA Consent Decree for the Tronox site, in Soda Springs, Idaho.

September Activities

The calcine cap and landfill facilities were inspected in September. The cover surfaces on both facilities are in good condition, with minimal disturbance from digging animals. The landfill was pumped in September to a nearby concrete holding pond to maintain the minimal level on the landfill liner. The gates on both facilities are closed and locked and the fences are in good condition.

The 10-acre pond was inspected and the water level was measured. The 10-acre pond contains about 8 inches of water. The 10-acre pond was pumped within containment to surrounding beach areas to enhance evaporative effects and reduce the level of the pond.

The revised draft work plan report was transmitted to EPA on September 9, 2008. However, in our conference call of September 26 with your contractor, you indicated that the work plan will require a complete data quality objective (DQO) evaluation to be included in the plan before the work plan could be considered for approval. Work on the development of the DQO was initiated at the end of September.

October/November 2008 Activities

During the months of October and November, Tronox will continue to monitor the cap, landfill and the 10-acre pond. Tronox will provide EPA with agreed-upon changes to the draft work plan that will include the DQO planning evaluation. It is contemplated that a revised work plan will be finished and transmitted to EPA by mid-October 2008. During October, Tronox will continue to work on the draft remedy evaluation report, currently scheduled for delivery one month after approval of the revised draft work plan.

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During October, the second round of ground and surface water samples will be collected and analyzed. This round will include field DO and ORP measurements. Additional analytical parameters will include dissolved iron and manganese, silica, total organic carbon and ammonia. Wells KM-1 and KM-10 will also be sampled using low-flow methods. During November, we expect that EPA will have reviewed and approved the revised draft work plan. Analytical results from the October sampling should also become available in late November.

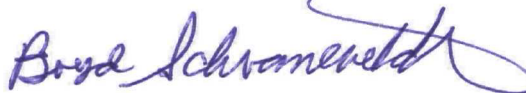
No community relation activities are planned for this period.

Problems or Delays

No delays are expected.

If you have any questions about the work or additional information is required with regards to the work described above, please contact me at (208) 547-3331, extension 233, or (b) (6) (cell).

Sincerely,
Tronox Inc.



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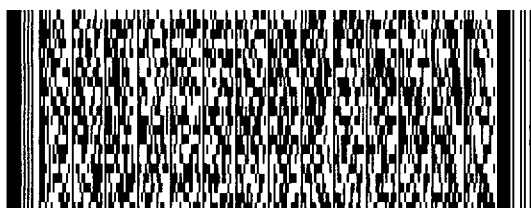


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